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### **REPRESENTATIVE MARTI COLEY SWORN-IN AS MEMBER OF FLORIDA HOUSE**

TALLAHASSEE – Speaker of the House Allan Bense (R-Panama City) today presided over the administration of the oath of office for Representative Marti Coley (R-Marianna) as a member of the Florida House of Representatives. The swearing-in ceremony occurred this afternoon in the House Chamber.

“We will all miss our friend, Dave Coley, but his memory will not soon be forgotten as Marti carries forward with his legacy of public service,” said Speaker Bense. “I have full confidence that Marti will ably represent the people of District 7.”

A native of Blountstown and longtime resident of Marianna, Representative Marti Coley is an instructor at Chipola College and mother of three.

“I am grateful to the people of House District 7 for their confidence,” said Representative Coley. “This is an opportunity that I will not take lightly as we work to improve education, develop our rural workforce, and support state workers.”

“Representative Coley will contribute a fresh, new perspective to the House Republican Conference,” said House Majority Leader Andy Gardiner (R-Orlando). “She brings a life experience that reflects the commitment of an educator, the compassion of a mother, and the character of rural Florida.”

Representative Coley was elected to the House in a special election on June 14, 2005, with 81.3% of the vote, to fill the vacancy left by the passing of her husband, Representative David Coley. House District 7 encompasses parts of Bay, Gadsden, Jackson, Leon, Okaloosa, Wakulla, and Walton counties, and all of Calhoun and Liberty counties.

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